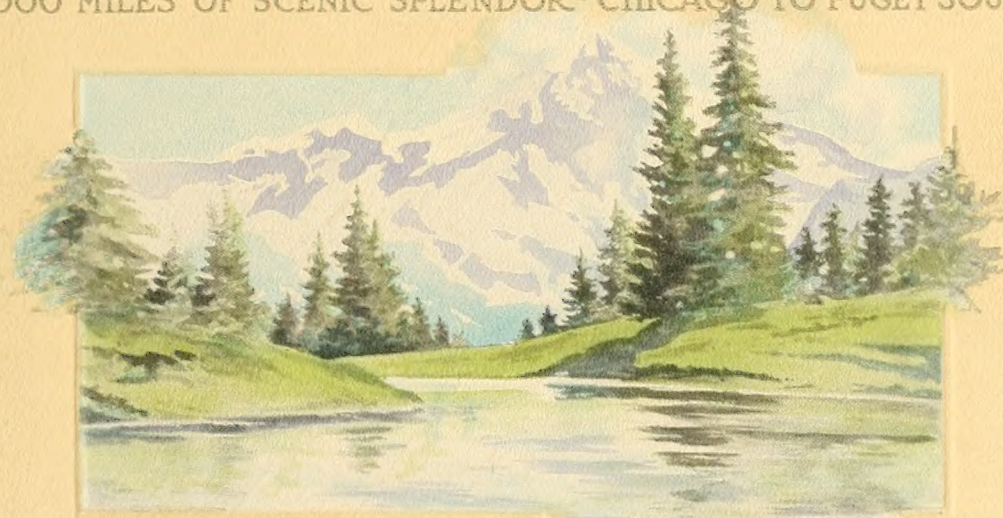


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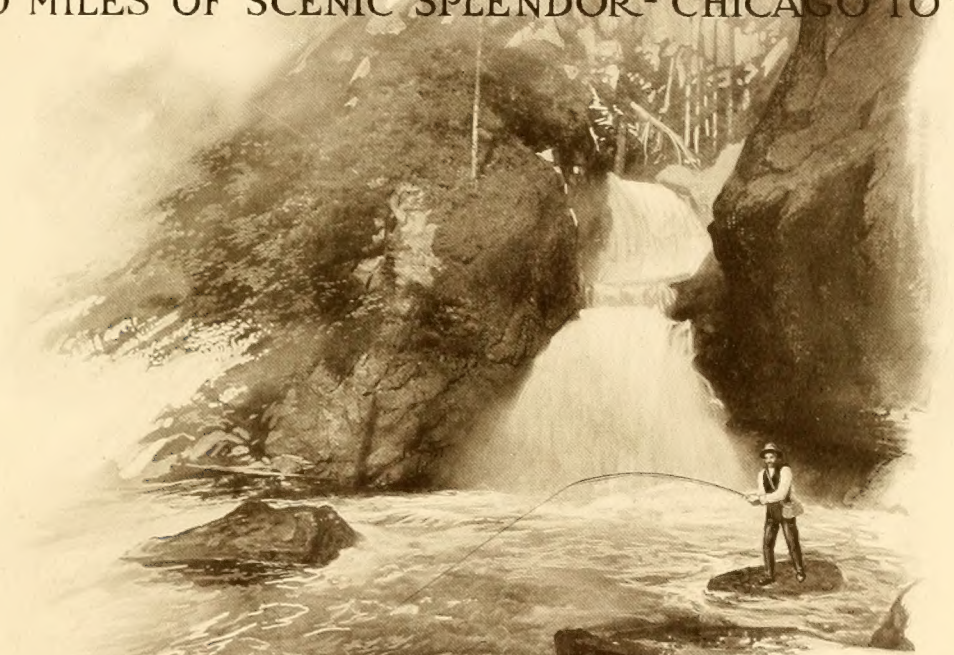


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MORE than a century ago the first white men blazed a trail through the great Northwest from the Mississippi Valley to the Pacific North Coast, claiming for the Nation a vast Inland Empire. To-day a new transcontinental line, the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul and Chicago, Milwaukee & Puget Sound Railways, opening boundless resources still untouched in the magnificent region discovered, testifies to the enduring work of the Pioneer.

Among the wonders of their day stands the marking of the Old Trail. Among the wonders of to-day stands the building of the New Trail. Less than three years after work was started a great steel highway was built, setting a record in the annals of railway construction. In the old days railroad builders sought the easiest way regardless of time, grades and distance. The new road looked to the future. It sought the shortest and most enduring way. Its 60,000,000 cubic yards of excavation, more than one-third that of the Panama Canal; its 10 miles of rock-hewn tunnels, its 20 miles of steel and concrete bridges, its 200,000 tons of heaviest steel rails, its rock ballast, its lowest grades, tell of success.

Over this solid, smooth-riding roadbed two palatial transcontinental trains, "The Olympian" and "The Columbian" are operated daily between Chicago, Seattle and Tacoma. Amid luxury and ease, afforded by these splendid trains, one traverses the most bewildering scenery.

The "St. Paul-Puget Sound" road is *the* scenic highway to the Pacific North Coast. It threads the most magnificent regions of the great plains, the fertile valleys and the majestic mountain ranges of the Northwest.

Northward from Chicago the trail leads through one of the richest truck-gardening and general farming regions of America to Milwaukee, thence westward crossing the Wisconsin River in full view of the famous "Dells," to the Mississippi, following the banks of the "Father of Waters," amid beauties unsurpassed to St. Paul and Minneapolis. Turning westward from the Twin Cities the line traverses the rich Dakota grain fields and unrivaled valleys of Montana with their thriving cities, young in years but old in achievements. Three mountain ranges rise in successive waves of grandeur, conquered by engineering feats unparalleled in railroad building—first the Rockies, rising to the crest of the continent, the great divide; then the forested Bitter Roots, and lastly the Cascades, snow-tipped and jagged. Beyond lies the giant amphitheater of the Puget Sound, Seattle and Tacoma in its center, commanding its splendors.

This is a book of picture writing. Words grow powerless and trite when set to the task of portraying nature in her supremities; but the language of pictures is different, snatching up as it were bits of reality to speak with vigor ever fresh and meaningful.

The story told is of *the* scenic road across the continent. Many highways share its goal, but for him who would see his country's beauties there lies magnificent and alluring "The Trail of the Olympian."



Navy Yard, "The Dells"

Kilbourn, Wis.

A sylvan retreat, splendid in its barbaric beauty. Towering rock walls are mirrored in the waters, now jagged and frowning, now softened by the beauty of the foliage.



Chimney Rock, "The Dells"

Kilbourn, Wis.

Nature was in a fanciful mood when she fashioned the Dells. Giant rocks, grotesquely carved; weird canyons and gulches vary the wildness of her handiwork.



Lake Pepin, Minnesota
Upper Mississippi River

The scenery along the upper Mississippi is unrivalled in beauty. Cliffs, islands, lakes, pass in endless procession as the trail skirts the water's edge for 127 miles.



Short Line Bridge

Between St. Paul and Minneapolis

From St. Paul the trail continues to Minneapolis over the great two-tracked bridge, 136 feet above the water. The steel trestle alone, 1,070 feet long, weighs 3,289 tons.



Minnehaha Falls
Minnesota

The land of Hiawatha, near Minneapolis, is the center of a region of enchantment, rich in the charm and romance of Indian legend and famed for the beauties of its scenery.



The Olympian

Entering the Rockies, Montana

Beautiful Montana Canyon is entered following Sixteen-Mile Creek, one of the finest trout streams of the state. This region was made famous by Lewis and Clark.



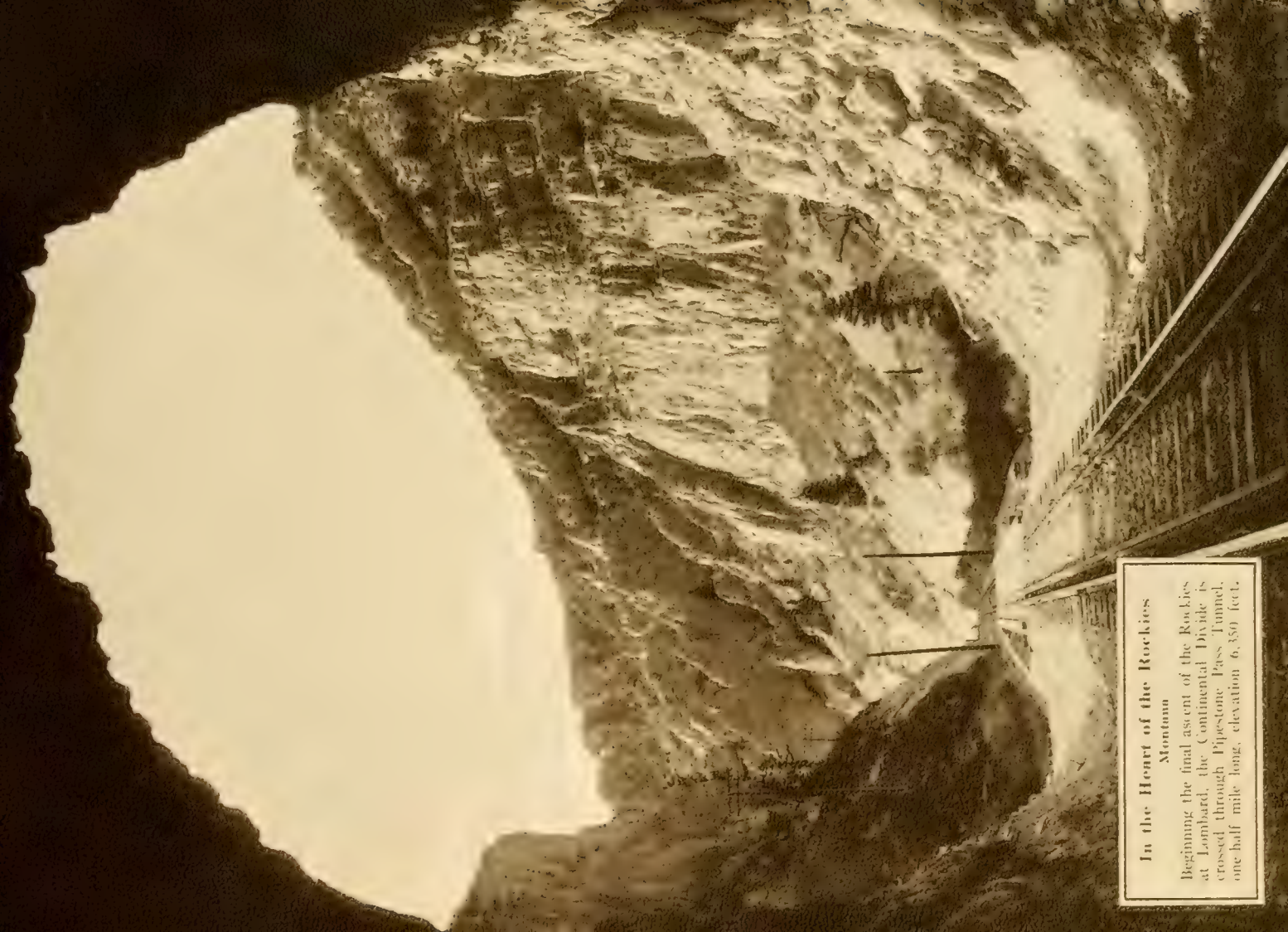
The Confusion of the Rocks
Montana Canyon

As the canyon walls crowd in, the most exquisite picture of the Rocky Mountain region is formed. Crags, pinnacles and ravines vie with a magnificent color display.



Piercing the Rock Barriers
Montana Canyon

Seemingly impenetrable walls shut in the narrow, winding canyon, but the railroad, through tunnel, over bridge and through timber again, pursues its winding course.



In the Heart of the Rockies
Montana

Beginning the final ascent of the Rockies at Lombard, the Continental Divide is crossed through Pipestone Pass Tunnel, one half mile long, elevation 6,350 feet.



Clear Creek Bridge
Bitter Root Mountains, Idaho

Westward from Missoula, Mont., rise the
steep, forested sides by some of the most
remarkable feats of railroad construction.



The Timber-Clad Bitter Roots
Idaho

St. Paul & Northern Pacific Railway
The main line of the St. Paul & Northern Pacific
Bitter Root branch, located in the heart of the
timber-clad mountains of Idaho.



Mt. Baldy and Swiftwater
Barren River

Looking down the river from the bridge at the town of
Swiftwater, Idaho, July 10, 1900. The river is
about 100 feet wide and 10 feet deep at this
point. The water is very clear and the
bottom is composed of sand and gravel.



Approaching St. Joe, Idaho
Bitter Roots

At times the descending trail sweeps in view for miles; then is lost in the maze of hills, only the plashing of the water-breaking the deep stillness of the forest.



Gout Rock Cut
St. Joe River, Idaho

St. Joe River, Idaho, looking down the river from the Gout Rock Cut. The river is in the foreground, and the steep, rocky hillsides are visible on both sides. The railway track is visible on the right side of the image, curving along the edge of the gorge.



By the "Shadowy St. Joe"

Idaho

The turbulent waters subside and the broad, placid stream is the "Shadowy St. Joe" as it mirrors the hills about St. Maries, most beautiful of mountain cities.



St. Maries River
Idaho

This is only one of the unequalled fishing
haunts about St. Maries. Lakes, rivers and
mountain streams here are inaccessible,
yet with trout and bass eager to bite.



Lake Chatcolet
Idaho

As the trail leaves St. Maries, it rises gradually above beautiful Lake Chatcolet set deeply in the picturesque mountains of the Coeur d'Alene Indian reservation.



Moonlight on Lake Chateaufort

Idaho

Nature is grander in her solitude as the forest here is still and darkness covers the mountains. In the moonlight the beautiful highland lakes sparkle like crystal.



Rock Lake, the Lake of Mystery
Washington

Beyond the Puget Sound, the
Lake lies hidden in the heart of the
mountains, its waters are mysterious,
its shores are steep and high.



Little Lake Ruchess
The Cascades, Washington

When the snow melts, the Cascades
become the great ranges of the Pacific Northwest.
Ruchess, a beautiful mountain lake,
is one of the many gems of the region.



Lake Keechelus
The Cascades

Another gem of Alpine blue, its depth unknown, sparkles where forested banks rise a thousand feet in steep slope above the waters. A fisherman's paradise.



On the East Slope

The Cascades

Higher and higher climb the trail, to
impose engineering tests, such as Tope
cascades, the highest fall in the
country.



Snoqualmie Pass
Over the Cascades

Ever increasing in number and grandeur, the mountains crowd about, seeming to bar the way, but the trail gains the crest over Snoqualmie Pass, 3,040 feet high.



McCall's Peak
The Gascades

A towering peak of rugged granite rises
scarcely before. As the trail winds down
toward the rugged, rocky heights of the
Great Ranges, the great, old trail will



Through the Giant Forests
Cascade Mountains

Rapidly descending the west slope toward Puget Sound, the trail seems to rest on closely packed columns of giant fir which hide the roaring Snoqualmie, far below.



**The Olympian
Emerging from the Cascades**

The Olympian, a powerful steam locomotive,
is shown here emerging from the Cascades
mountains, a rugged and beautiful
region of the Pacific Northwest.
The train is carrying passengers and freight
between the mountains and the coast.



Commonwealth Creek

The Cascades

Angling in the swift-running streams of the Puget Sound region affords the keenest delight to the true fisherman. Many of its waters have never before been fished.



Upper Twin Falls
Shoquahine River

From Cedar Falls a line extends down the Shoquahine to Everett through a patch of some grassland. It was built on among the most beautiful in the country.



Lower Twin Falls
Snoqualmie River

Within easy distance of Seattle an endless wealth of scenic magnificence invites to delightful journeys into wooded fastnesses of the mountains or by rushing torrents.



On the Road to Rainier
National Park, Washington

Near Seattle and Tacoma live Rainier, 3 mile high, monarch of the Cascades. From Aheerd, on the Tacoma-Tacoma, auto, large thread virgin logs to be "The Rain."



Mt. Rainier

From Road to Paradise Valley

Past living glaciers, roaring cataracts and yawning depths the government road climbs slowly to the snow-line. Pronounced the world's most beautiful mountain drive.



**On Trail to Indian Henry's
Rainier Park**

Many other roads and trails lead from
The Inn. Large parties follow the
roads over the ridges, through Alpine
forest and meadow, to Indian Henry's.



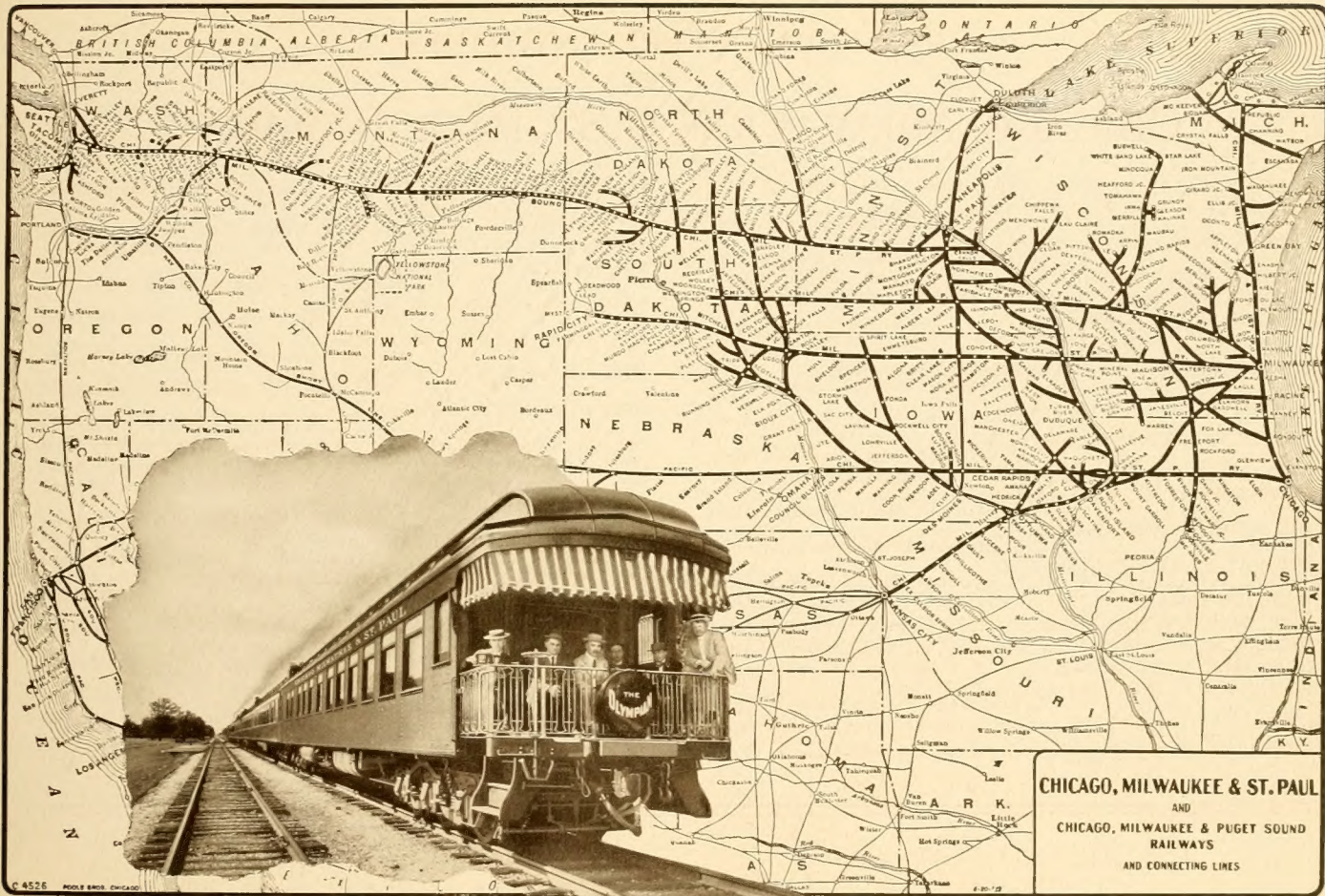
Mt. Rainier and Mirror Lake
Indian Henry's

A mile above sea-level, the lake lies two miles below the mountain's crest. Luxuriant flowers deck the Alpine valleys, blooming close beside the perpetual ice.



**Nearing the Summit
Mt. Rainier**

The mountaineers are nearing the summit of Mt. Rainier, a snow-covered mountain in the state of Washington. The photograph shows the climbers as they ascend the steep, rocky slopes, using ropes and ice axes to navigate the treacherous terrain.



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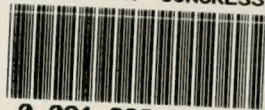
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